

**In the Claims** (Clean Copy)

1. (Twice Amended) A gastight-sealed alkaline nickel/metal hydride button cell storage battery comprising positive and negative electrodes arranged in a button cell case and separated by a separator, wherein both electrodes have a support and conductor framework, which includes a porous metal foam or metal felt, and wherein the positive electrode contains active material, but on a side bearing against the cell case, has a metallic region which is free of active material, and extends over about 5 to about 15%, of the total thickness of the positive electrode.